

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Cleanup Grants

\$600,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Spokane for three brownfields cleanup grants. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up Havermale Island, Canada Island, and the North Bank Development Area, three sites in Riverfront Park at 610 West Spokane Boulevard. The 1.7-acre Havermale Island site was originally used for commercial businesses and railroad tracks. It is contaminated with arsenic and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. The two-acre Canada Island site was historically used for a water pumping plant, lumber storage yards, and a dry cleaning facility. It is contaminated with arsenic and other metals. The four-acre North Bank Development Area consists of three parcels that were formerly used as lumber storage yards and railroad tracks. It is contaminated with mercury, cadmium, and other metals. All three cleanup sites became part of Riverfront Park, the location of the 1974 World's Fair.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

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